

Mid-Atlantic Regional Office CPI Announcement

Table 1. Consumer Price Indexes, U.S. city average and selected areas, September 2021 (1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted) (not seasonally adjusted)

Item	All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)													Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)										
	U.S. city average		Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington		Washington-Arlington-Alexandria (1)		Baltimore-Columbia-Towson (1)		Northeast region		South region		U.S. city average		Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington		Washington-Arlington-Alexandria (1)		Baltimore-Columbia-Towson (1)		Northeast region		South region	
	Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from		Percent change from	
	Sep 2021	Sep 2020	Sep 2021	Sep 2020	Sep 2021	Sep 2020	Sep 2021	Sep 2020	Sep 2021	Sep 2020	Sep 2021	Sep 2020	Sep 2021	Sep 2020	Sep 2021	Sep 2020	Sep 2021	Sep 2020	Sep 2021	Sep 2020	Sep 2021	Sep 2020	Sep 2021	Sep 2020
All items	274.310	5.4	-	-	280.933	4.5	-	-	286.423	4.6	264.593	5.8	269.086	5.9	-	-	278.170	4.9	-	-	283.563	5.0	260.839	6.2
All items (1967 = 100) (2)	821.710	-	-	-	829.393	-	-	-	451.029	-	429.206	-	801.524	-	-	-	833.087	-	-	-	442.909	-	422.457	-
Food and beverages	280.452	4.5	-	-	274.070	3.6	-	-	285.289	3.9	275.426	4.2	280.020	4.6	-	-	275.106	4.0	-	-	284.890	4.2	274.561	4.2
Food	281.506	4.6	-	-	281.734	3.7	-	-	286.517	4.1	277.392	4.3	280.510	4.7	-	-	280.427	4.0	-	-	285.815	4.3	275.720	4.3
Food at home	262.695	4.5	253.350	2.7	261.302	1.9	251.539	3.6	268.880	3.1	259.928	4.3	262.641	4.7	259.714	3.1	259.816	2.5	256.246	3.3	268.809	3.5	258.775	4.4
Cereals and bakery products	292.069	2.7	-	-	333.423	0.8	-	-	318.334	3.0	299.473	3.2	293.506	2.7	-	-	319.946	0.9	-	-	317.852	3.3	298.375	3.1
Meats, poultry, fish, and eggs	293.217	10.5	-	-	301.436	8.9	-	-	284.630	7.0	287.217	11.1	293.634	10.7	-	-	293.630	9.3	-	-	284.402	7.2	285.797	11.0
Dairy and related products	231.973	0.6	-	-	247.965	-1.2	-	-	242.373	0.8	230.258	-0.5	230.545	0.6	-	-	245.088	-1.7	-	-	241.949	1.2	227.534	-0.7
Fruits and vegetables	315.428	3.0	-	-	270.677	1.3	-	-	326.956	0.2	300.525	4.7	313.241	2.8	-	-	277.870	1.4	-	-	328.775	0.5	299.709	4.0
Nonalcoholic beverages and beverage materials (3)	184.490	3.7	-	-	224.408	0.9	-	-	184.249	2.2	178.345	0.7	184.902	3.9	-	-	235.194	0.7	-	-	186.148	2.7	177.525	1.0
Other food at home	225.141	3.1	-	-	214.085	-2.2	-	-	238.198	2.9	224.346	2.1	224.503	3.3	-	-	208.659	-1.5	-	-	238.682	3.2	222.487	2.3
Food away from home	310.996	4.7	-	-	307.683	5.5	-	-	316.597	5.4	306.240	4.2	311.715	4.7	-	-	309.207	5.6	-	-	319.139	5.6	305.051	4.2
Alcoholic beverages	264.980	2.8	-	-	202.667	2.5	-	-	267.982	1.9	247.947	3.0	270.640	3.0	-	-	211.517	2.6	-	-	268.101	2.3	255.979	2.7
Housing	283.744	3.9	-	-	291.460	2.7	-	-	303.670	3.4	260.865	4.1	279.770	3.9	-	-	292.263	2.1	-	-	301.402	3.3	260.935	3.9
Shelter	337.451	3.2	349.401	2.3	348.438	1.9	324.401	3.5	375.444	2.0	301.178	3.7	329.988	3.1	356.021	1.9	348.311	1.2	336.804	2.8	370.879	1.8	301.952	3.6
Rent of primary residence	351.255	2.4	326.584	2.3	377.966	-0.5	370.801	0.0	376.101	1.1	315.596	3.1	348.158	2.6	326.584	2.3	377.966	-0.5	370.801	0.0	371.077	1.1	313.701	3.1
Owners' equivalent rent of residences (4)	345.824	2.9	357.572	1.0	356.240	1.6	342.651	3.5	387.819	1.7	302.913	3.3	312.287	2.9	317.995	1.0	324.677	1.6	310.817	3.5	341.447	1.7	281.573	3.4
Owners' equivalent rent of primary residence (4)	345.840	2.9	357.572	1.0	356.240	1.6	342.651	3.5	387.483	1.7	302.914	3.3	312.306	2.9	317.995	1.0	324.677	1.6	310.817	3.5	341.492	1.7	281.539	3.4
Fuels and utilities	266.559	8.2	-	-	255.139	7.9	-	-	244.785	11.5	257.695	6.1	264.988	8.1	-	-	262.316	8.0	-	-	246.863	11.0	258.420	6.2
Household energy	221.196	9.6	177.029	8.7	197.234	8.6	204.141	8.8	215.583	13.0	207.580	7.2	219.805	9.5	176.339	7.7	202.430	8.6	195.722	8.6	217.794	12.5	206.829	7.4
Energy services	225.160	8.5	185.468	3.5	201.829	8.5	218.416	8.1	214.547	9.7	207.470	6.9	224.296	8.7	187.496	3.4	206.872	8.6	217.064	8.4	216.664	9.9	207.934	7.2
Electricity	229.831	5.2	183.203	1.9	218.674	3.8	199.250	7.0	218.897	6.7	203.458	5.7	227.251	5.5	183.202	1.9	218.674	3.8	199.249	7.0	220.405	6.8	202.048	6.1
Utility (piped) gas service	207.290	20.6	177.987	7.0	157.863	21.0	222.681	14.0	190.139	17.2	217.010	15.2	208.787	21.7	177.984	7.0	157.864	21.0	222.681	14.0	192.494	17.2	222.497	15.7
Household furnishings and operations	133.462	5.1	-	-	118.137	4.9	-	-	130.754	7.0	132.841	4.3	126.924	4.6	-	-	105.743	3.5	-	-	122.438	5.9	123.595	3.7
Apparel	123.406	3.4	-	-	156.354	1.6	-	-	129.301	3.1	130.867	4.1	122.996	3.8	-	-	167.611	4.2	-	-	128.327	3.0	130.251	5.2
Transportation	236.373	16.6	-	-	234.184	12.3	-	-	227.953	14.9	236.719	17.0	240.614	18.4	-	-	254.662	15.7	-	-	234.035	16.1	237.701	18.7
Private transportation	236.655	17.8	-	-	244.199	15.1	-	-	226.600	17.1	239.216	17.6	239.988	19.3	-	-	253.922	17.0	-	-	231.459	17.8	238.331	19.1
New and used motor vehicles (5)	117.947	15.0	-	-	113.192	17.4	-	-	113.903	16.1	120.661	14.5	118.912	16.5	-	-	114.880	17.7	-	-	115.871	16.2	119.600	15.6
New vehicles (3)	160.244	8.7	-	-	212.762	10.5	-	-	157.135	9.7	165.216	8.2	161.730	8.8	-	-	212.315	10.5	-	-	156.231	8.9	164.820	8.5
Used cars and trucks (3)	190.207	24.4	-	-	410.489	25.0	-	-	200.592	25.9	191.021	23.8	191.464	24.4	-	-	410.620	25.0	-	-	200.419	25.7	192.477	23.8
Motor fuel	279.367	42.0	296.427	34.6	290.520	36.7	265.909	34.4	270.912	40.7	257.740	42.9	279.924	42.0	297.108	34.6	290.816	36.7	266.120	34.5	269.978	40.1	257.171	43.3
Gasoline	278.338	42.1	292.985	34.6	287.525	36.8	260.426	34.5	269.979	40.9	256.554	43.0	279.024	42.1	292.985	34.6	287.526	36.8	260.439	34.5	269.282	40.3	256.143	43.4
Motor vehicle insurance (3)	566.211	4.8	-	-	827.287	2.1	-	-	616.376	1.1	955.753	6.1	570.537	4.4	-	-	827.267	2.1	-	-	616.341	1.8	966.608	4.7
Medical care	524.818	0.4	-	-	501.250	1.3	-	-	549.485	0.1	498.025	1.2	531.981	0.2	-	-	510.036	0.9	-	-	551.640	0.0	509.175	1.0
Recreation (5)	126.438	3.5	-	-	119.315	7.0	-	-	131.655	2.4	127.335	3.8	120.601	3.1	-	-	115.125	4.8	-	-	132.682	3.3	121.907	3.3
Education and communication (5)	143.807	1.7	-	-	161.632	3.6	-	-	152.328	2.3	139.237	2.4	130.776	1.2	-	-	132.240	3.2	-	-	137.979	1.9	123.625	1.7
Tuition, other school fees, and child care (3)	797.726	2.0	-	-	1505.907	4.8	-	-	1341.166	2.3	1394.750	1.7	763.087	1.6	-	-	1416.855	4.5	-	-	1332.417	2.2	1265.724	0.2
Other goods and services	479.525	3.4	-	-	452.985	5.8	-	-	533.200	3.7	458.062	2.8	529.256	3.8	-	-	481.945	5.7	-	-	616.416	3.9	498.672	3.0
Energy	248.228	24.8	220.174	20.0	242.173	21.7	238.875	21.3	238.073	24.3	226.245	23.6	248.485	25.9	218.560	19.7	252.084	23.6	228.640	21.6	239.760	24.9	226.287	24.9

Footnotes:

(1) 1998-2017 indexes based on a substantially smaller sample.

(2) For the Northeast and the South, Dec. 1977=100

(3) For Washington, Nov. 1977=100. For Baltimore, March 1978=100. For Philadelphia, December 1977=100.

(4) For the U.S., Philadelphia, Northeast, & South, Dec. 1982=100. For Washington & Baltimore, Nov. 1982=100

(5) December 1997=100

Area definitions:

The **Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE-MD, CBSA** includes Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia Counties in Pennsylvania; Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, and Salem Counties in New Jersey; New Castle County in Delaware; and Cecil County in Maryland.

The **Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-MD-VA-WV, CBSA** includes the District of Columbia; Calvert, Charles, Frederick, Montgomery, Prince George's Counties in Maryland; Arlington, Clarke, Culpeper, Fairfax, Fauquier, Loudoun, Prince William, Rappahannock, Spotsylvania, Stafford, and Warren Counties, and Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Fredericksburg, Manassas, and Manassas Park Cities in Virginia; and Jefferson County in West Virginia.

The **Baltimore-Columbia-Towson, MD, CBSA** includes Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Baltimore City, Carroll, Harford, Howard, Queen Anne's Counties in Maryland.

The **Northeast region** includes the states of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

The **South region** includes the District of Columbia and the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia.

Table 2. Consumer Price Index and percent change, all items, U.S. city average and selected areas 1982-84=100, unless otherwise noted (not seasonally adjusted)

Area	All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)					Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)				
	Index		Percent change to Sep 2021 from--			Index		Percent change to Sep 2021 from--		
	Aug 2021	Sep 2021	Sep 2020	Jul 2021	Aug 2021	Aug 2021	Sep 2021	Sep 2020	Jul 2021	Aug 2021
U.S. city average	273.567	274.310	5.4	0.5	0.3	268.387	269.086	5.9	0.5	0.3
Chicago-Naperville-Elgin, IL-IN-WI	256.078	256.881	4.5	0.4	0.3	248.640	249.336	5.0	0.3	0.3
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim, CA	291.333	292.209	4.6	0.5	0.3	282.691	283.191	4.8	0.3	0.2
New York-Newark-New Jersey, NY-NJ-PA	293.927	295.488	3.8	0.7	0.5	289.090	290.733	4.2	0.8	0.6
Boston-Cambridge-Newton, MA-NH	-	294.784	4.0	-0.1	-	-	294.003	4.4	0.0	-
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX	-	254.950	5.9	0.6	-	-	262.716	6.8	0.9	-
Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, CO	-	286.186	4.5	0.3	-	-	278.643	5.7	0.6	-
Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington, MN-WI	-	270.240	5.4	1.1	-	-	266.330	6.2	1.0	-
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA (1)	-	115.557	6.8	0.8	-	-	116.254	7.0	1.0	-
San Diego-Carlsbad, CA	-	324.138	6.5	0.1	-	-	308.351	7.2	0.2	-
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL (2)	-	251.221	6.1	1.0	-	-	249.435	7.0	1.4	-
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV (3)	-	280.933	4.5	0.7	-	-	278.170	4.9	0.7	-
Urban Hawaii	-	301.891	5.0	1.0	-	-	299.128	5.2	0.8	-
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Roswell, GA	264.502	-	-	-	-	260.247	-	-	-	-
Baltimore-Columbia-Towson, MD (3)	271.067	-	-	-	-	268.292	-	-	-	-
Detroit-Warren-Dearborn, MI	250.003	-	-	-	-	247.153	-	-	-	-
Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX	241.088	-	-	-	-	237.097	-	-	-	-
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-West Palm Beach, FL	285.472	-	-	-	-	281.518	-	-	-	-
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE-MD	272.044	-	-	-	-	273.193	-	-	-	-
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ (4)	153.931	-	-	-	-	153.035	-	-	-	-
San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward, CA	311.167	-	-	-	-	307.423	-	-	-	-
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA	299.704	-	-	-	-	295.410	-	-	-	-
St. Louis, MO-IL	250.237	-	-	-	-	249.611	-	-	-	-
Urban Alaska	239.899	-	-	-	-	239.491	-	-	-	-

(1) December 2017=100.

(2) 1987=100.

(3) 1998-2017 indexes based on a substantially smaller sample.

(4) December 2001=100.

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Note to CPI users:

This announcement details Consumer Price Indexes for two population groups: All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) and Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W). Both indexes reflect 1982-84 spending patterns. Monthly percent changes are shown for the U.S. and five large areas; bimonthly data are presented for the remaining areas. Area indexes do not measure differences in the levels of prices among cities; they only measure the average change in prices for each area since the base period.

Local area CPI indexes are by-products of the national CPI program. Because each local index is a small subset of the national index, it has a smaller sample size and is, therefore, subject to substantially more sampling and other measurement error than the national index. As a result, area indexes show greater volatility than the national index, although their long-term trends are quite similar. Therefore, the Bureau of Labor Statistics strongly urges users to consider adopting the national average CPI for use in escalator clauses.

This announcement is primarily intended for those users requiring the current indexes on a regular basis. More detailed information may be obtained by writing this office, calling (215) 597-3282, or faxing (215) 861-5720.

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